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Attorney's Docket No. 030662-047

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)	
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Makoto YAMADA et al)	Group Art Unit: 1714
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Application No.: 09/409,338)	Examiner: Callie E. Shosho
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Filed: September 30, 1999)	Confirmation No.: 5232
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For: JET PRINTING INK AND INK-JET)	
RECORDING METHOD)	
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is _____.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least ___, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.

☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

A M E N D E D C L A I M S					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	9	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (1201) =	0
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					0
Total Amendment Fee					0
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					0
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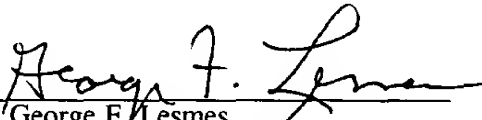
☐ A claim fee in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

☐ Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 17, 2002, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 8 and 11 without prejudice or disclaimer and replace claims 1 and 9 as follows:

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1. (Six Times Amended) A jet printing ink comprising a dye and an aqueous medium, which further comprises glycerol and a basic polymer having a side-chain containing 1-imidazolyl, said dye being dissolved in the aqueous medium, wherein the basic polymer is contained in an amount of 0.1 to 50 weight % and the ink has a viscosity of 50 cp or lower at 25°C, wherein glycerol is contained in an amount of not less than 2 weight %, and wherein the dye is an azomethine dye of the following formula (III) or (IV) or an azo dye of the following formula (V) or (VI) or mixtures thereof: